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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Robert Arthur Dietmeyer of Gurnee, who passed away on April 6, 2012; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Dietmeyer was born on May 9, 1927, in Burlington, Iowa; he moved to Waukegan as a child and graduated from Waukegan High School in 1944; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Dietmeyer was a member of the United States Army; he served in the 703rd Military Police Battalion in Washington D.C., where he attained the rank of sergeant while helping to guard President Harry Truman; and

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WHEREAS, After leaving the Army, Robert Dietmeyer enrolled at the University of Iowa, where he graduated in 1950; he then served as Manager of Corporate Benefits at Abbott Labs, where he worked for 35 years until his retirement in 1986; while at Abbott, he worked towards and earned his master's degree from Marquette University; and

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WHEREAS, Robert Dietmeyer served as President of the Holy Name Society of the St. Anastasia Parish in Waukegan and volunteered on the Gurnee Village Civil Service Commission from 1988 to 1991; he was involved with numerous charities,

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1 including the Knights of Columbus, the Salvation Army, and the  
2 American Cancer Society; he was also a founding member of the  
3 St. Paul's Church Parish in Gurnee and served as a little  
4 league baseball coach for all 5 of his sons with the North Side  
5 A.C. in Waukegan; and

6 WHEREAS, Robert Dietmeyer was preceded in death by his wife  
7 of 46 years, Catherine Efinger Dietmeyer, and his parents,  
8 Viola and Fred Dietmeyer; and

9 WHEREAS, Robert Dietmeyer is survived by his sons, David  
10 (Nanette), Thomas, John, Philip (Susan), and James (Dara); his  
11 daughters, Patricia Hook and Mary Minehart (Darwin); his  
12 brother, Richard (Thelma); his grandchildren, Tony, Kelly, and  
13 Keith Morse and Colleen, Desiree, and Jimmy Dietmeyer; and his  
14 many nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL  
16 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with  
17 his family and friends, the passing of Robert Arthur Dietmeyer;  
18 and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
20 presented to the family of Robert Dietmeyer as an expression of  
21 our sympathy.